Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor

Senate Bill 443

AN ACT concerning

Security Guards - Certifications and Renewals

FOR the purpose of requiring an applicant for certification as a security guard to be of good moral character and reputation; establishing a renewal process for certifications of security guards; requiring certification cards to contain the date on which the certification expires; authorizing the Secretary of State Police to refuse to renew certifications under certain circumstances; authorizing the Secretary of State Police to take certain disciplinary action if an applicant or individual pleads guilty or nolo contendere to or is convicted of certain crimes; and generally relating to certifications and renewals of certifications of security guards.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Business Occupations and Professions

Section 19-402, 19-405, and 19-408

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Business Occupations and Professions

Section 19-404.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Business Occupations and Professions

19-402.

- (a) To qualify for certification as a security guard, an individual shall:
 - (1) meet the standards set by the Secretary;
- (2) be an employee of or an applicant for employment with a licensed security guard agency;
 - (3) BE OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER AND REPUTATION;
- [(3)](4) submit to the licensed security guard agency, for forwarding to the Secretary: